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## Minutes of the Board of Directors of The Gypsy Moth Slow the Spread Foundation, Inc.

May 1, 2013 9:00 CDT - 11:00 CDT 10:00 EDT - 12:00 EDT

Proper notice having been duly given to each Board member, a conference call of the Board of Directors was held on the above date.

The meeting was called to order and the roll was taken.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Larry Nichols, Virginia, President	present
Phil Wilson, North Carolina, Vice-President/Treasurer	present
Melody Walker, Wisconsin, Secretary	present
Scott Frank, Illinois	present
Phil Marshall, Indiana	present
Tivon Feeley, Iowa	absent
Carl Harper, Kentucky	present
Lucia Hunt, Minnesota	present
Sherrie Hutchinson, West Virginia	absent

### OTHERS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Dave Adkins, Ohio Tim Brown, West Virginia Nancy Williams, Scott Schirmer, Illinois Jamie Tukiendorf, Wisconsin Ed Holloman, Southeastern Association Services Julie Spaulding, Anthony, Man-Son-Hing USDA, APHIS PPQ Donna Leonard, Patrick Tobin, Noel Schneeberger, John Kyhl, Dennis Haugen, USDA Forest Service

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**Whereas,** the above noted directors constitute a quorum, and there is no objection to this proceeding, the following business was conducted:

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Phil Marshall (IN) made a motion to accept the April 3, 2013 minutes as presented. Carl Harper (KY) seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

#### STATUS UPDATES OF GRANT AGREEMENTS

#### 2012 Forest Service Trapping and Treatment Grant

Ed indicated the 2012 grant has a balance of \$2,274,321.77. The bill for the racemic order will draw this balance down to \$800,121.77. The remaining balance available to states is \$628,071.39. Ed would like to receive the de-obligated funds before June 15. Donna stated that MI has been added to the list states receiving grants. MI will receive \$9,500.00 for the 2013 calibration fly-in. Another addition was the increase of \$75,686.00 to the NC grant to cover the Btk application. These changes followed an additional award of \$200,000 to the overall 2012 budget. All reports are current.

## **Forest Service Eradication**

Ed indicated NC has a remaining balance of \$12,717.89. The agreement ends March 31 with reports due by May 15. NC can request a no-cost extension to zero out the grant.

### Status of 2013 funding from FS

The allocation for STS in FY 2013 will be \$7.5 million plus the \$125,000 for technology development for a total \$7,625,000. The grants will not be available until about the end of May. Donna and Ed will prepare the grant paperwork to move things along quickly when the grants come through. Donna encouraged everyone to submit 424 packages no later than May 31<sup>st</sup>.

Scott Frank (IL) made a motion to have the Foundation contract with 7 trappers to conduct trapping in IL this summer. Carl Harper (KY) provided a second to the motion. Members of the Board voted and the motion carried. The IL trapping contract expenses will be part of the 2013 Foundation expenditures.

# **Status of 2013 funding from APHIS**

Larry sent an email out on April 30<sup>th</sup> with the breakdown of the regulatory funding for 2013. The estimates by the states were over the \$90,000 by \$3000. VA and WI split the overage. Anthony encouraged states to submit funding requests as soon as possible. There was a small match last year. The grant period will be from May 15, 2013 to May 15, 2014. The Foundation

will receive the award, and then Ed can send awards to the state. The states should try to match the grant at the rate of four percent. Julie said the regulatory committee conference calls will resume in June.

## **Status Updates on Btk Contracts**

Donna let everyone know that a review for aviation safety assurance of the Btk contract will occur in IL this year. Kevin Carpenter from NC Department of Agriculture is heading up the group. The Foundation could provide financial support for a state person who would be interested in participating in the review.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

## **Future Meetings**

The next conference call will be on Wednesday, August 7, 2013.

## **Meeting Adjourned**

Carl Harper (KY) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lucia hunt (MN) seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

## 2013 STS Conference Call and Meeting Schedule

Conference calls are scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 9:00 CT/10:00 ET unless otherwise scheduled by the Board President. The call in number for the STS monthly conference calls in 2013 is **1-888-858-2144** and the passcode is **6583639**.

January 3	<b>Conference Call</b>	Cancelled
February 6	Conference Call	Held
February 20	STS Annual MT	Held
March 6	Conference Call	Cancelled
April 3	Conference Call	Held
May 1	Conference Call	Held
June 5	Conference Call	Cancelled
July 3	Conference Call	
August 7	Conference Call	
September 4	Conference Call	
October 2	Conference Call	
November 6	Conference Call	
December 4	Conference Call	

The foregoing motions and actions, by unanimous consent are to have full force and effect as of May 1, 2013, unless otherwise indicated by the Board.

Melody Walker, Secretary